

## CRITICAL AREAS SPECIAL USE CRITERIA

## **Planning & Community Development**

The purpose of the critical areas special use permit is to allow development by a public agency or utility when the strict application of the critical areas standards would otherwise unreasonably prohibit the provision of public services.

Please respond fully to <u>all</u> of the following questions on a separate sheet of paper, as required by the City of Shoreline Development Code. Your answers will be used in the staff report to the Hearing Examiner.

- 1. Explain how the application of the critical areas development standards, Chapter 20.80 S.M.C., would unreasonably restrict the ability of the public agency or utility to provide services to the public.
- 2. Explain why there is no other practical alternative to the proposal by the public agency or utility that would cause less impact on the critical area.
- 3. Explain how the proposed development:
  - a. does not create a health or safety hazard on or off the development site,
  - b. will not be materially detrimental to the property or improvements in the vicinity.
- 4. If the proposal is in a Type I stream or wetland or buffer, or a Type I or II wetland or buffer that provides habitat for herons, raptors or State or Federal designated endangered or threatened species, explain how the proposal is necessary to protect public health and safety or repair damaged natural resources.

Note: The application must provide the burden of proof that the requested special use complies witht eh criteria and avoids, minimizes, and mitigates impacts to critical areas.